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Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection

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2010 KENTUCKY APPLIANCE REBATE PROGRAM

ANNOUNCEMENT

ENERGY STAR Appliance Rebate Program Begins Earth Day, April 22, 2010

The Commonwealth of Kentucky will be issuing approximately \$4 million in rebates to its residents who purchase ENERGY STAR home appliances to replace older, less energy efficient models beginning Earth Day, April 22nd. Funding is provided through federal stimulus legislation, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The goal of the legislation is to stimulate job growth and reduce energy costs. Each state received a portion of the Act's allotted \$300 million dollars for appliance rebates based on state population. The Kentucky program is administered through the Kentucky Department for Energy Development and Independence (DEDI).

"Appliances consume a huge amount of our electricity, so there's enormous potential to both save energy and save families money every month," said U.S. Department of **Energy Secretary Steven Chu**. "These rebates will help families make the transition to more efficient appliances, making purchases that will directly stimulate the economy and create jobs."

- Under the rebate program, Kentucky residents who buy an eligible ENERGY STAR replacement appliance from a Kentucky retailer may be eligible for a rebate. Kentucky is offering rebates on 16 ENERGY STAR qualified appliances. This provides residents with the widest choices possible, and represents appliances that account for 70 percent of typical household energy costs. Purchases prior to April 22, 2010 are not eligible for rebates. Eligible appliances and rebate levels are as follows:
- Rebates will be administered on a first-come, first-served basis beginning April 22nd. It is anticipated rebate funds will be spent quickly.
- Eligible consumers must be residents of Kentucky making purchases of replacement appliances from Kentucky retailers.
- Purchases must replace an older, less efficient product with a qualified ENERGY STAR appliance.
- > Consumers purchasing a new ENERGY STAR replacement appliance requesting a rebate are strongly encouraged to **recycle** their old appliance.
- Reservations for rebates can be made online at www.kyappliancerebates.com/ or through a toll free number 1-877-813-3669 beginning April 22nd.
- After making the actual purchase, appropriate documentation must be submitted within 14 days of the reservation to the address that will be provided.
- Rebates will be issued in the form of Visa debit cards.
- Consumers may receive one rebate per product category. All rebate requests will be monitored for eligibility to ensure fraud prevention. Appliances with an ENERGY STAR label have met strict energy efficiency guidelines set jointly by the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
- > These guidelines are designed to help consumers save money and protect the environment though superior energy efficiency.

Additional information may be found at http://www.energy.ky.gov/recovery/rebate/.



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RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR OLDER, LESS EFFICIENT APPLIANCE/PRODUCT

- > Appliances delivered by a box store, appliance dealer, or other store will usually include the removal of the old appliance.
- > The refrigerant Freon shall be recovered from refrigerators, room air conditioning units, and freezers before the appliance is recycled.
- > If you decide to recycle it yourself, please call the local recycling center to determine if they are certified to recover the Freon.
 - Your local solid waste hauler or a scrap metal dealer advertising in the newspaper can also pick up your old appliance - there may be charge for this service.
- > You may receive payment for your old appliance if you take it to a scrap metal dealer.
- Eities and counties may provide free pick up of bulky items and appliances sometime during the year; call your local solid waste coordinator to check on possible dates. Click on this link to find appliance recycling options in your area.

Kentucky Rebate Values for ENERGY STAR Labeled Products

Clothes washers \$100
Dishwashers \$50
Refrigerators \$50
Freezers \$50
Room air conditioners \$40
Electric heat pump water heaters \$400
Hi-efficiency gas storage water heaters
(EF>=0.62) \$50
Gas boilers \$200

Hi-performance gas storage water heaters
(EF>=0.67) \$100

Gas tankless water heaters \$300

Solar water heaters (electric back up) \$400

Solar water heaters (gas back up) \$400

Central air conditioners \$100

Air source heat pumps \$400

Geothermal heat pumps \$400

Gas furnaces \$300

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